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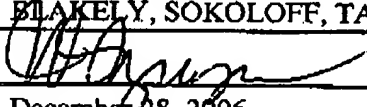
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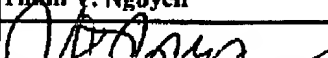
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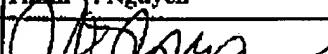
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office action of October 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.